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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
STEFFEN KRILL, ET AL. : EXAMINER: VALENROD, Y.
SERIAL NO: 10/589,123 :
FILED: AUGUST 11, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1621
FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING :
ALPHA-HYDROXYCARBOXYLIC :
ACIDS AND THE ESTERS THEREOF :

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 3, 2008, please amend the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.